

# 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

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**CROSSPOINT  
CITY CHURCH**

HOLY IS THE NAME OF JESUS



## AS YOU WALK INTO OUR BUILDING

from the main parking lot, you notice four words on the wall to your left: **Gather, Connect, Engage, Multiply**. These four words capture our simple strategy for accomplishing the Crosspoint mission. By gathering together for worship, connecting relationally in groups, engaging people through serving, and multiplying at all levels, we believe we can effectively pursue people far from God to help them know and follow Jesus.

Over the last year we've worked hard to tweak and improve this strategy to make a greater Kingdom impact. As a result, our worship gatherings grew and impacted numerous lives, more people jumped into groups (including Discipleship and Recovery Groups), our Serve Team grew dramatically in preparation for our move, and our multiplication efforts resulted in more devoted disciples and leaders. While this report does not capture every story of impact, it does show clearly that God is on the move!

As you read the following pages, I pray you'll stop along the way and thank God for his faithfulness to our church. I also pray it encourages you to keep investing in the mission and ministry of Crosspoint in the coming year!

Believing the best is yet to come,

Pastor James



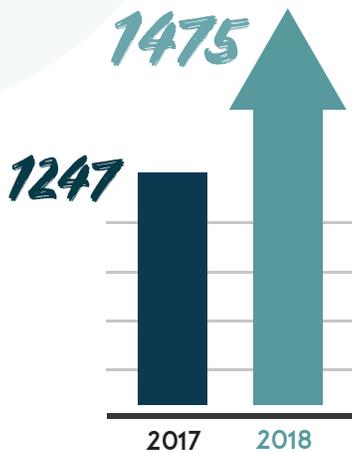
# GATHER

**“FAMILIES GO THROUGH EVERYTHING TOGETHER, AND BEING AT CROSSPOINT I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIND A FAMILY THAT I LOVE. I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GROW IN MY FAITH AND ALSO SEE OTHERS GROW AS WELL. STUDENTS IS MORE THAN JUST A MINISTRY AT CROSSPOINT, IT IS FAMILY.”**

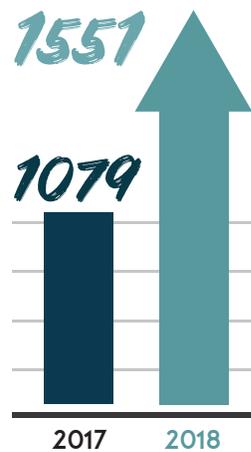
**– TREY HINSON, CROSSPOINT STUDENTS**

# SUNDAY GATHERING ATTENDANCE

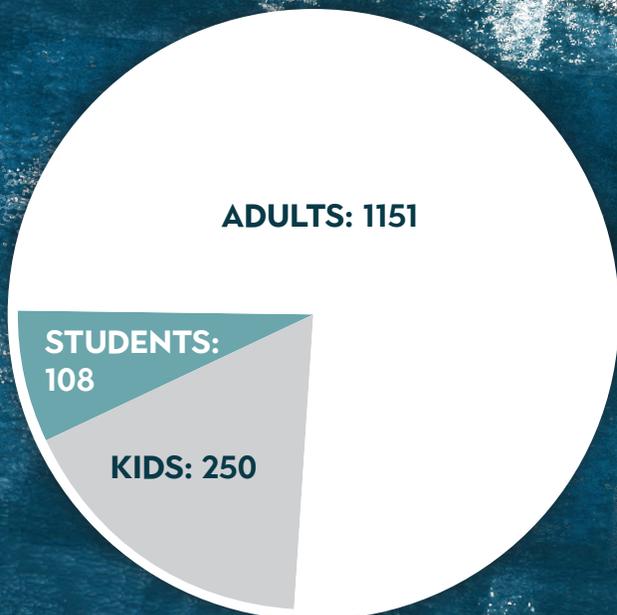
YEAR OVER YEAR (YOY)  
AVERAGE ATTENDANCE:



YOY TOTAL FIRST  
TIME GUESTS:



TOTAL  
ATTENDANCE:



**CROSSPOINT**  
EXISTS TO RELENTLESSLY PURSUE  
THOSE FAR FROM GOD TO HELP THEM  
KNOW AND FOLLOW JESUS

# MOVE TO THE NEW BUILDING GRAND OPENING AUGUST 19TH, 2018



**“OPENING THE BUILDING FOR THE FIRST TIME WAS SOMEWHAT OF A SURREAL EXPERIENCE. THE RENOVATION PROCESS TOOK 16 MONTHS — MUCH LONGER THAN FIRST ANTICIPATED, SO AT TIMES WE WONDERED IF WE’D EVER GET IN. OPENING THE DOORS ON THAT FIRST SUNDAY AND SEEING THE BUILDING PACKED WITH SO MANY PEOPLE WAS INCREDIBLE... TO SEE SUCH TREMENDOUS GROWTH OVERNIGHT WAS A GREAT REMINDER TO OUR ENTIRE CHURCH OF WHY THE MOVE WAS SO NECESSARY... AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT’S JUST A BUILDING, BUT AT THE SAME TIME WE SEE IT AS A BLESSING FROM GOD THAT WILL NOW ALLOW US TO DO MORE MINISTRY AND REACH MORE PEOPLE WITH THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS.”**

**— PASTOR JAMES GRIFFIN**

## ATTENDANCE NUMBERS BEFORE AND AFTER MOVING

	JAN – JULY	AUG. – DEC
TOTAL	1302	1701
ADULTS	1030	1311
STUDENTS	93	122
KIDS	218	291



TOTAL ATTENDANCE FOR  
GRAND OPENING:

**1998**



PEOPLE  
BAPTIZED:

**16**



DECISIONS TO  
FOLLOW CHRIST:

**25**



# CONNECT

**“BEING IN THE MILITARY AND HAVING MOVED A LOT, I HAVE BEEN PART OF QUITE A FEW GROUPS AND HAVE EVEN LED SEVERAL GROUPS. I CAN SAY, NONE OF THEM HAVE IMPACTED MY LIFE AS MUCH AS MY CURRENT DISCIPLESHIP GROUP. GOD PAIRED ME WITH AN INCREDIBLE GROUP OF GUYS THAT DRAW A VULNERABILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND COMMITMENT OUT OF ME THAT I DIDN’T KNOW EXISTED. MY DISCIPLESHIP GROUP IS AND CONTINUES TO BE A BIG DRIVING FORCE BEHIND MY INTENSE DESIRE TO DEEPEN MY WALK WITH CHRIST AND TO SHARE HIS LOVE WITH OTHERS.”**

**– JASON LEWIS**

# GROUP ATTENDANCE IN 2018



TOTAL NUMBER  
CONNECTED IN GROUPS

**1007**

ADULTS (ALL GROUPS): 516

STUDENTS:  
170

KIDS:  
321



TOTAL ADULTS  
IN COMMUNITY  
AND DISCIPLESHIP  
GROUPS



**466**

AVERAGE  
ATTENDANCE IN  
RECOVERY  
GROUPS



**50**

# PRAYER

## FIRST THURSDAY GATHERINGS

Every first Thursday of the month we gather to worship and pray for God to move in our hearts, in our church, and in the communities in which we live. We pursue God wholeheartedly and ask for more. This year, we have seen more and more people engage in prayer in these gatherings. We've prayed for healing, provision, mission teams, and many needs that have come up in the life of the church. We've seen God move in powerful ways through our commitment to prayer this year.



**THE PURPOSE OF  
PRAYER IS TO SEE GOD  
CLEARLY, SEEK GOD  
DESPERATELY AND  
EXPERIENCE GOD FULLY**



## **21 DAYS OF PRAYER**

We began 2018 with a church-wide time of prayer and fasting for 21 straight days. Together, we faithfully sought God first, trusting in His power alone to create lasting impact in our lives, our church, and our world.





# ENGAGE



## ADVANCE TRACK

This year we launched this four part series of classes to connect people with the vision and mission of Crosspoint City Church.

PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED  
AT LEAST ONE ADVANCE  
TRACK CLASS:

155

PEOPLE WHO COMPLETED  
ALL FOUR ADVANCE  
TRACK CLASSES:

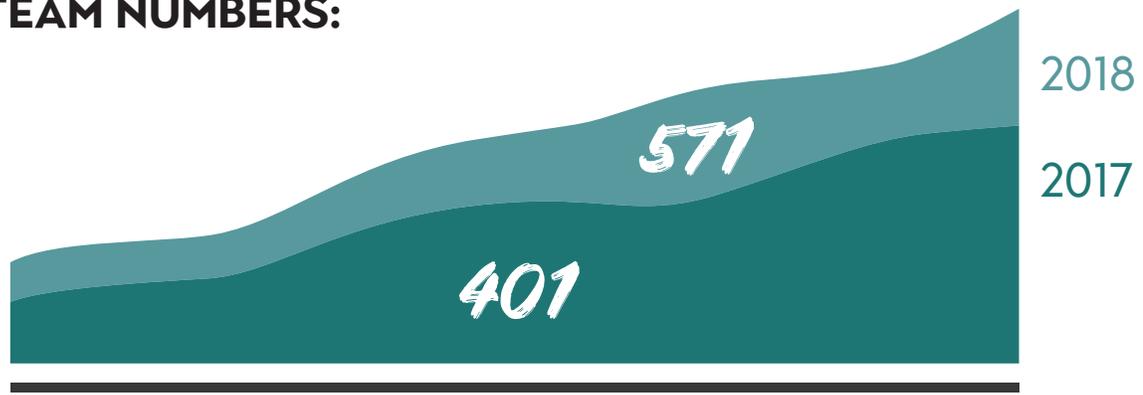
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“MY FAMILY AND I HAD BEEN ATTENDING CROSSPOINT FOR OVER A YEAR BEFORE WE STARTED ADVANCE TRACK. WE ARE HAPPY THAT WE SIGNED UP FOR THE CLASS WHEN WE DID, BECAUSE IT ALLOWED US TO LEARN ABOUT CROSSPOINT, QUICKLY GET PLUGGED IN TO SERVING AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE CHURCH.”

– VALERIE DAVIS

# SERVE TEAM

## SERVE TEAM NUMBERS:



IN PREPARATION FOR OUR MOVE INTO OUR NEW BUILDING OUR SERVE TEAM GREW BY **32%**

“DURING MY TIME AT CROSSPOINT, MY VIEW ON LEADERSHIP HAS CHANGED DRASTICALLY. THROUGHOUT MY LIFE, I’VE BEEN INVOLVED IN ‘LEADERSHIP’ IN VARIOUS WAYS, BUT OVER THE PAST YEAR, ‘LEADERSHIP’ HAS BEEN REDEFINED. LEADERSHIP = DISCIPLESHIP. LEADING ISN’T JUST CHECKING OFF A LIST OF TASKS THAT MUST BE COMPLETED, OR OVERSEEING A GROUP OF PEOPLE TO DO THOSE TASKS. AT CROSSPOINT, LEADING IS DISCIPLESHIP! IT’S CULTIVATING HEARTS, IT’S PLANTING THE GOSPEL AND WATCHING IT GROW IN SOMEONE ELSE, HELPING THEM FIND AND USE THEIR GOD-GIVEN GIFTS. IT’S WATCHING THE HARVEST OF THAT HEART AND LIFE GROW INTO A LEADERSHIP ROLE OF THEIR OWN AND IN TURN, HELPING SOMEONE ELSE ACHIEVE THAT SAME CHANGE AND GROWTH IN THEIR LIFE. IT’S NOT ABOUT BEING COMFORTABLE; IT’S ABOUT BEING CHALLENGED AND CHALLENGING OTHERS. IT’S THE COMPLETE REALIZATION THAT ONE PERSON CAN’T DO EVERYTHING, BUT THROUGH BUILDING AND TRAINING OTHERS UP IN CHRIST, TOGETHER WE CAN DO BIG THINGS!”

– MANDY GOODWIN

# GENEROSITY



TOTAL GIVING:  
2017: \$2,040,062

2018:  
**\$2,355,882.37**

(THIS INCLUDES \$150K CHALLENGE GIVING)

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING:

2017: \$31,889

2018:  
**\$37,120**



GENERAL FUND:

2017: \$1,594,469

2018:  
**\$1,930,290**  
(21% INCREASE)

**125**  
NEW GIVING FAMILIES  
GAVE A FIRST TIME GIFT OF  
**\$23,945** IN 2018

## next

CAMPAIGN GIVING

2017: \$407,727.72

2018:  
**\$250,853.30**

(WE HAVE GIVEN A TOTAL OF \$1,182,113  
OF THE PLEDGED AMOUNT OF  
\$1,317,680 TO THE NEXT CAMPAIGN)

**8.5%**  
INCREASE IN TOTAL GIVING  
(NOT INCLUDING \$150K GIVING)

## 150K CHALLENGE

In November, an urgent financial need came up related to the new building renovation. Through prayer and wise counsel, our Elders decided to bring the need to the church asking for people to help meet the need. It was amazing to see the response and how God used many in our church to exceed our expectations and give more than **\$174,000** in less than a month.

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## HOPE FOR CHRISTMAS

In 2018 we partnered with **13** local churches in **6** different locations to serve **530** families (**1600** children). Guests received toys, parent gifts, a full Christmas dinner, winter clothing, pictures with Santa and prayer. Over **\$115,000** in toys, food and winter clothing was donated to make this event happen. Hope for Christmas nearly doubled the number of children served from 2017-2018. It also doubled the number of volunteers and tripled the number of sites/partner churches.



## BLESS WEEKEND

This year we partnered with our local government, **14** local churches and **10** businesses and non-profit's to complete service based projects in our local community. **8** homes were renovated/repaired, **420** guests received free medical/dental exams and a meal, and over **\$60,000** in building/service project materials were donated. BLESS Weekend quadrupled in size from 2017-2018 in guest, project and partner church numbers while doubling the value of donated goods.

## SERVE SATURDAY

Serve Saturday nearly tripled in size in 2018 growing from an average of serving **45** families each month to **120** families each month, and added four more partner churches to its regular volunteer base. Crosspoint Students have also contributed significantly to volunteer efforts.

**“THE FIRST MONTH WE BEGAN OFFERING FREE TAKE-HOME BOOKS IN ADDITION TO THE LIBRARY BOOKS, I HANDED THE FEATURED BOOK TO ONE OF OUR REGULAR VISITORS, A 10-YEAR OLD GIRL, AND SAID ‘NOW THIS ONE IS YOURS TO KEEP. YOU DON’T HAVE TO BRING IT BACK.’ HER FACE LIT UP, AND SHE CLUTCHED THAT BOOK TO HER CHEST AND SAID, “MINE TO KEEP! A BOOK OF MY VERY OWN!” I STILL GET GOOSEBUMPS TALKING ABOUT IT.”**

**– MOBILE LIBRARY VOLUNTEER**

# WORLD ENGAGEMENT

## “BEYOND THE WALLS”



### BURKINA FASO

This year, Crosspoint sent **4** teams with **29** people to serve in Burkina. On those trips, **35** people made decisions for Christ, **6** water wells were drilled or repaired and a new church was planted with over **60** people now in regular attendance. In addition, over **1,450** lbs of material was donated to missionary partners with Engage Burkina.

### BOLIVIA

This year, Crosspoint sent **1** team with **15** people to serve in Bolivia. On that trip, **6** people made decisions for Christ, and a large irrigation project was finished. In addition, **750** lbs of material were donated to Food For The Hungry to be distributed to those in need.

### NICARAGUA

This year, Crosspoint sent **19** students and **5** leaders to serve in Nicaragua. On that trip **11** people made decisions for Christ and students engaged in evangelism and many service projects benefiting the people of Nicaragua.



# MULTIPLY

SAM ALLBERRY  
**IS GOD ANTI-GAY?**  
A FORUM AT CROSSPOINT CITY CHURCH

## CROSSPOINT FORUM

We hosted our first forum with guest speaker Sam Allberry, noted speaker and author.

**“THE FORUM AT CROSSPOINT CITY WITH SAM ALLBERRY ON SEXUALITY AND THE CHURCH WAS A HUGE STEP IN LAUNCHING THIS CONVERSATION AND MAKING IT RELEVANT TO EVERY SINGLE BELIEVER. FOR ME, THE FORUM WAS AN ANSWER TO PRAYER AS I SEEK TO GIVE COUNSEL AND BIBLICAL DIRECTION TO FRIENDS WHO ARE SAME SEX ATTRACTED WITHIN THE CHURCH CONTEXT. THE VALIDATION OF THE ISSUES AND A GOSPEL APPROACH TO HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS WAS SO REFRESHING.”**

**– BETH PAUL**

# INTERNSHIPS

At Crosspoint, we believe we have the responsibility to prepare and send out future leaders of the Church to bring the good news of the Gospel to our community and world. Our internships give individuals the opportunity to learn and develop leadership skills, and gain real-world ministry experience.

**2 FORMER  
INTERNSHIPS  
JOINED OUR  
FULL TIME STAFF  
THIS YEAR**



**LANE VROOMAN**  
(Adults Minister)



**MATTHEW BRYSON**  
(Students Minister)



**SINCE INTERNSHIPS  
BEGAN, WE HAVE HAD**

**11**

**FULL YEAR INTERNS AND**

**3**

**SUMMER INTERNS**



# CHURCH PLANTING

In 2018, we took our first practical steps in becoming a church planting church. We provided coaching, finances, and resources to help start Bay Cities Fellowship in Tampa, Florida ([baycitiesoldsmar.com](http://baycitiesoldsmar.com)). We also hired Campus Pastor, Jason Cribb, in preparation to launch a second Crosspoint City Church location in Adairsville (location coming Fall of 2019)!"



**JASON CRIBB**  
(Campus Pastor - Adairsville)

# LEADER DISCIPLESHIP

## SERVE TEAM PARTY

In May Crosspoint hosted a Serve Team Party to show our appreciation for all of our amazing team members. We celebrated and thanked the 318 people in attendance for serving and making a difference at Crosspoint.



## LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

On September 30th, Crosspoint hosted a Leadership Summit with special guest speaker, Mac Lake. It was an awesome experience and a worthwhile investment in the development servant leaders in our church.

## LIFE CHANGE

Jesus calls us to go and make disciples and, at Crosspoint, that is why it is one of the main focuses of our strategy. Multiplying disciples is central to the mission and vision at Crosspoint. We celebrate the incredible life change that has happened this year!



SALVATION DECISIONS:

**137**



BAPTISMS:

**82**

